N THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re the Application of: Examiner: J. Gray SHIRAKI et al RECEIVED DEC 0.5 2001
TO 1700 Group Art Unit: 1774 Serial No.: 09/462,755 Filed: January 14, 2000 REINFORCING MATERIAL, METHOD For: OF PRODUCTION THEREOF, REINFORCING/REPAIRING METHOD USING THE REINFORCING MATERIAL,) REINFORCING/REPAIRING STRUCTURE AND STRUCTURAL **ELEMENT**

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 3, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the office action of July 3, 2001, please amend the captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-74 and substitute therefor the following new claims:

75. A fiber-compounded hydraulic reinforcing material comprising:

(A) Reinforcing fiber;

(B) Organic binder; and

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